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## Programme of meetings and agenda

## Monday, 27 March 2017

## Official meetings

### General Assembly

Seventy-first session

**Main Committees**

**Fifth Committee**

First part of the resumed session

10:00 to 10:30 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 133 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Sixth progress report on the accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat (A/71/729, A/71/820, A/71/731 and A/71/731/Add.1))

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Standards of accommodation for air travel (A/71/741, A/71/741/Corr.1 and A/71/822))

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 133 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement activities in the United Nations Secretariat (A/71/681, A/71/823, A/70/676 and A/70/676/Add.1))

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**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 |

1. United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti
2. Executive meeting

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**Preparatory Committee established by General Assembly resolution 69/292: Development of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction**

Third session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | 29th meeting | Conference Room 2 |

Opening of the session [item 1]

Welcome and opening remarks by the Secretary-General or his representative [item 2]

Adoption of the agenda (A/AC.287/2017/PC.3/L.1) [item 3]

Election of members of the Bureau [item 4]

Programme of work (A/AC.287/2017/PC.3/L.2) [item 5]

Development of substantive recommendations on the elements of a draft text of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [item 6]

Informal working group on marine genetic resources, including questions on the sharing of benefits

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| 15:00 to 18:00 | 30th meeting | Conference Room 2 |

Development of substantive recommendations on the elements of a draft text of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [item 6] *(continued)*

Informal working group on marine genetic resources, including questions on the sharing of benefits (*continued*)

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Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hardcopies* of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour before* delivery of the statement.

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the session can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

**United Nations conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination**

10:00 to 13:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the conference [item 1]

   *Statement by the President of the Conference*

   *Statement by the Acting President of the General Assembly*

   *Statement by the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs*

   *Statements by special invitees*

2. Adoption of the rules of procedure (A/CONF.229/2017/L.1) [item 4]
3. Election of other officers [item 6]
4. Credentials of representatives to the conference [item 7]
   (a) Appointment of members of the Credentials Committee
5. General exchange of views [item 8]
   (a) High-level segment

15:00 to 18:00 — 2nd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

General exchange of views [item 8]

(a) High-level segment *(continued)*

(b) General exchange of views on all matters

Topic 1: Principles and objectives and preambular elements

[The agenda of the Conference and the timetable of meetings of the March session of the Conference are contained in documents A/CONF.229/2017/2 and A/CONF.229/2017/3, respectively.

A note by the Secretariat containing information for participants has been issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1 and A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1/Corr.1.

Delegations wishing to participate in the *general exchange of views*, are requested to inscribe with the United Nations Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (nuclear.conference@un.org). Delegations participating in the *general exchange of views* during the March session of the Conference are encouraged to limit their statements to *ten minutes*.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal of the Conference only after delivery by delegations. Also, a minimum of *30 copies* of the text of statements to be delivered at the Conference should be submitted in advance to the Secretariat.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3604, S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *before Monday, 27 March 2017*. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Permanent representatives and observers are kindly requested to submit a *comprehensive list of the members of their delegation* to the Conference, including the functional titles and affiliations of each

member, to the Secretariat of the Conference (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org; Room S-3058) *no later than Friday, 31 March 2017*. A final comprehensive list of delegations to the Conference will be issued in August 2017.

The *participation of non-governmental organizations* in the Conference shall be governed by the decision adopted by the Conference at its organizational session on 16 February 2017 (A/CONF.229/2017/4).

A note by the Secretariat containing information for civil society representatives has been issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/2.

It is strongly recommended that documents submitted by States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities *should not exceed five pages* (2,650 words) to reduce costs, facilitate translation and ensure timely issuance. States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to the Conference Secretariat (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org). In light of the short timeframe in which the Conference will conduct its work, advance and unedited submissions may be posted in their original language on the Conference website maintained by the Office for Disarmament Affairs upon request, pending their issuance in six languages.

Limited space for lunchtime *side events* is available in the main conference room assigned to the Conference. Delegations wishing to hold a lunchtime side event in Conference Room 4 (Monday, 27 to 31 March) or Conference Room 1 (15 June to 7 July) are invited to contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378), with a copy of the request to nuclear.conference@un.org. The available space will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

Additional information on the Conference is also available on the Conference website.]

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**International Civil Service Commission**
Eighty-fourth session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 |

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## Security Council

**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism**

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Informal briefing on the implementation of Security Council resolution 2178 (2014) by the affected States of Western Europe

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**Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict**

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| 15:00 to 18:00 | Informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 7 |

## Other activities

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**Group of Least Developed Countries (at the expert level)**

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting *Conference Room 12*

**Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group**

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room D

**Event on "50 Years of the Treaty of Tlatelolco: An Inspiration to the World" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)**

13:15 to 14:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Larissa Schneider Calza, Permanent Mission of Brazil (e-mail larissa.calza@itamaraty.gov.br; tel. 1 (212) 372-2603).

## Press conferences

*Press Briefing Room (S-G237)* [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

# Forthcoming official meetings

## General Assembly

Seventy-first session

**Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly**

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Second thematic debate on working methods

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; with copy to gaspeakerslist@un.org)).

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2017 and 28 February 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Informal consultations

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the appraisal of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 March 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

## Main Committees

### Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5 |

### Disarmament Commission

2017 substantive session
3 to 21 April 2017

Monday, 3 April 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 3

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate are invited to kindly submit, *in writing*, the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat (Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378)). The Secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations would communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, via note verbale (e-mail vrastiak@un.org), *as soon as possible*, the name(s) of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Disarmament Commission.

### Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

2017 session

Thursday, 6 April 2017

10:00 2nd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Committee on Contributions**
Seventy-seventh session
5 to 23 June 2017

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 19 May 2017*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (304 East 45th Street, Room FF-700; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

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## General Assembly
## Security Council

**Peacebuilding Commission**
Eleventh session

**Organizational Committee**

Wednesday, 29 March 2017

10:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

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## Economic and Social Council
2017 session

**Partnership Forum**

Wednesday, 5 April 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its 2017 Partnership Forum on the theme "Partnerships for promoting opportunities, increased prosperity and sustainable development for all".

The forum will be interactive in nature and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. Delegations are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *three minutes* (*five minutes* for group statements).

All are invited to attend. Members of the Council are requested to communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail leonc@un.org), with copy to yogasundram@un.org, *as early as possible*.

Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Council of their prospective participation in the forum *no later than 12:00*, on Tuesday, 4 April 2017, to be pre-assigned a seat in the meeting room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the Partnership Forum, including the concept note and draft programme, is available from the website of the Economic and Social Council (please *click here*). For further details, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Mr. Ajit Yogasundram (e-mail yogasundram@un.org; or tel. 1 (917) 367-5027)).

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**Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters**

Friday, 7 April 2017

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The special meeting will be held pursuant to Council resolution 2017/2 and decision 2017/209. The special meeting will hold interactive discussions and a general discussion.

The interactive discussions will have a free-flowing format, with interventions limited to *three minutes*. There will be no list of speakers during the interactive discussions.

Requests for inscription to the *general discussion* to be held from 17:15 to 17:50 should be communicated to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org), with copy to Ms. Isabel Tañedo (e-mail tanedo@un.org)). Statements shall not exceed *three minutes* for individual delegations, and *five minutes* for groups.

*PaperSmart* services will be available to delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically. Please send a copy of the statement at *least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and subject of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Economic and Social Council PaperSmart portal (*click here*) after delivery by delegations. Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

For further information on the special meeting, including the concept note and tentative programme, please *click* here, or contact Ms. Dominika Halka, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; Room DC2-2186).

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**Coordination and management meeting**

Wednesday, 19, to Friday, 21 April 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The coordination and management meeting will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, Her Excellency Marie Chatardová (Czech Republic). The provisional

programme for the meeting is available from the website of the Council (please *click here*). For further information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail selcuk@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5019).

The *elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments* (item 4) to fill vacancies in the membership of the subsidiary bodies of the Council will be held on Wednesday, 19 April 2017, in the morning. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is contained in document E/2017/1/Add.1, as well as in document E/2017/9 and its addenda. Additional supporting documentation is available on Candiweb (please *click here*).

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than Thursday, 30 March 2017*, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (Attn: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org and ecosocelections@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* for the general discussion of the agenda items and sub-items listed in the provisional programme should be communicated to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org), with copy to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org)). The time limit set for statements is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

*PaperSmart* services will be available to delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically. Please send a copy of the statement at *least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal of the Economic and Social Council (please *click here*) after delivery by delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

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**Special meeting on innovations for infrastructure development and promoting sustainable industrialization**
Wednesday, 31 May 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold a special meeting to highlight the relevance of industry, innovation and infrastructure (Goal 9) for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The special meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe) and will comprise interactive panel discussions. There will be no pre-determined list of speakers, with interventions limited to *three minutes*.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing, no later than noon on Tuesday, 30 May 2017*, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are

advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council.

In advance of the special meeting, two preparatory events will be organized away from Headquarters: (a) Preparatory regional meeting on infrastructure and industrialization in developing countries, to be held in Dakar, Senegal (26 March 2017); and (b) Preparatory meeting on agriculture and agro-industries development toward sustainable and resilient food systems, to be held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe (24-26 April 2017). The meetings are open to all Member States.

For more information on the special meeting and its preparatory events, please contact Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail barrettg@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4723). Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

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**Commission on Population and Development**

Wednesday, 29 March 2017

Informal consultations

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 11 |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 11 |

On the zero-draft resolution on the special theme of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair-designate, Ms. Nicola Barker-Murphy (Jamaica), and the Vice-Chair, Ms. Eleonora van Munster (Netherlands)

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Thursday, 30 March 2017

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Informal informal consultations

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| 13:00 to 15:00 | Informal informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 11 |

On the draft decisions of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair-designate, Ms. Nicola Barker-Murphy (Jamaica), and the Vice-Chair, Ms. Eleonora van Munster (Netherlands)

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Fiftieth session

Monday, 3, to Friday, 7 April 2017 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2017/1 and E/CN.9/2017/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here.*

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Christa Giles (e-mail giles@un.org; Room S-3066; with copy to leu@un.org).

Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4, on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The *lists of speakers* for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)). In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 3 (General debate on: (a) Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels; and (b) Special theme of the fiftieth session of the Commission based on the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions to accelerate its further implementation), will be held from Monday, 3 April 2017 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2017/L.1).

The discussion of agenda item 4 (Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population) will be held on Thursday, 6 April 2017 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2017/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes.*

For *statements and PaperSmart arrangements*, delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the fiftieth session of the Commission.

The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages (*click here*).

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org *at least one hour* in advance of their designated speaking slot and to bring 30 copies of their statements for technical services.

The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Information on *side events*, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission, can be accessed by *clicking here*.

For the *election of the Bureau of the fifty-first session*, the Commission will hold the first meeting of its fifty-first session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its fiftieth session.

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**Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**
Sixteenth session

24 April to 5 May 2017 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2017/1 and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2017/L.1.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, *in advance of the session*, to the Secretary of the Forum (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; Room S-3066). Kindly be reminded that the observers who have not indicated their participation by the established deadline will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For background and other related documents of the sixteenth session of the Forum, please *click here*.

The sixteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a *PaperSmart manner*. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The *list of speakers* will open on Monday, 3 April 2017. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the Secretariat (Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org)).

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Event on "Five Years of the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative" and Launch of the Second Edition of the International Protocol on the Documentation and Investigation of Sexual Violence in Conflict (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)**

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (Ms. Clare Robe (e-mail clare.robe@fco.gov.uk) or Ms. Virginia Browning (e-mail virginia.browning@fco.gov.uk; tel. 1 (212) 745-9328)).

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**Briefing on "The humanitarian situation in Madagascar" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))**

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

12:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Miriam Danar, OCHA (e-mail danar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2259).

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**OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)**

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room F

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**Workshop on "Code of Conduct Regarding Security Council Action against Genocide, Crimes against Humanity or War Crimes, as Elaborated by the Accountability, Coherence and Transparency Group (ACT Group)" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein and Amnesty International)**

Wednesday, 29 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All 112 signatories of the Code of Conduct are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Sina Alavi, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail sa@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 230).

**Event on "Leveling the Playing Field and Supporting Success: Empowering Women in New York City" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Denmark and Panama and the New York City Mayor's Office for International Affairs)**

Wednesday, 29 March 2017

11:00 to 12:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Bjarke Brix Olsen, Permanent Mission of Denmark (e-mail bjaols@um.dk; tel. 1 (212) 705-4922); to register, please send an e-mail to iarsvp@city.hall.nyc.gov.

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**Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)**

Thursday, 30 March 2017

10:30 to 12:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

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**Briefing on "2017 Global Infrastructure Forum" (co-organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the European Investment Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank)**

Thursday, 30 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact DESA (Mr. Arend Janssen (e-mail janssena@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5620); or Ms. Jie Wei (e-mail weij@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5105)); or *click here*.

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**Informal consultations on "The Assessment of the High-level Review of United Nations Sanctions" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Australia and Compliance and Capacity Skills International, LLC)**

Thursday, 30 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Darren Hansen, Permanent Mission of Australia (e-mail darren.hansen@dfat.gov.au; tel. 1 (212) 351-6625).

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**Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)**

Thursday, 30 March 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Panel discussion on "Inclusion in the Making of Constitutions – Who are 'We the People'?" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Peru, the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Department of Political Affairs)**

Friday, 31 March 2017

12:00 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran M. Lettrich, Office of the Permanent Observer for International IDEA (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).

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**Informal technical briefings on the forthcoming draft report of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))**

**On domestic and international private business and finance**

Monday, 3 April 2017

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 11

**On international development cooperation; and data, monitoring and follow-up**

Tuesday, 4 April 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

**On domestic public resources**

Thursday, 6 April 2017

16:30 to 18:00 Conference Room 5

For further information, please contact Mr. Peter Chowla, Financing for Development Office (e-mail chowla@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8618); or *click here*.

## Announcements

**2017 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme**

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2017 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme is *Thursday, 20 April 2017* (Note Verbale ODA/01-2017/Fellowship Programme dated 24 January 2017). Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, Palais de Nations, Room C-113-1, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland. Nomination form and other attachments can be found by *clicking here*.

**Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies**

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (click here for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (click here for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (click here for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General prior to the meeting. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted no later than one week before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room S-1309). For any clarifications on these elections, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (click here), or contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

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**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *March 2017*:

*Introduction to legal resources*

*Introduction to United Nations documents*

*Finding speeches (French)*

*Voting information (French)*

*Introduction to library services*

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For further information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

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**Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly**

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

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***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

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The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available. For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

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**Calendar of conferences and meetings**

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

# Summary of official meetings

**Friday, 24 March 2017**

## Security Council

[archived video]

7907th meeting

*Maintenance of international peace and security*

*Destruction and trafficking of cultural heritage by terrorist groups and in situations of armed conflict*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Eritrea, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Latvia, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Malta, Montenegro, Morocco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, the Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Jeffrey Feltman, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs; Ms. Irina Bokova, Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization; Mr. Yury Fedotov, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime; and Brigadier General Fabrizio Parrulli, Commander of the Italian Carabinieri Command for the Protection of Cultural Heritage.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2017/242, submitted by Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Malta, Montenegro, Morocco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, the Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2017/242) before it.

*Decision: The draft resolution (S/2017/242) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2347 (2017).*

The Council heard briefings by Mr. Feltman, Ms. Bokova, Mr. Fedotov (via video-teleconference from Vienna) and General Fabrizio Parrulli.

Statements were made by Her Excellency Audrey Azoulay, Minister of Culture and Communication of France; and His Excellency Vincenzo Amendola, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy. Statements were made by the representatives of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Sweden, Uruguay, Egypt, the Russian Federation, China, the United States, Ethiopia,

Japan and Senegal; and by the President, in his capacity as representative of the United Kingdom.

7908th meeting — *The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Mr. Nickolay Mladenov, Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Mladenov.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uruguay and the Plurinational State of Bolivia.

## General Assembly

Seventy-first session

[archived video]

73rd plenary meeting — *Commemoration of the abolition of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade: commemorative meeting of the General Assembly to make the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade* [item 119]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 119 to hold a commemorative meeting on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The General Assembly decided, without setting a precedent, to invite Mr. Lonnie Bunch, Director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture, to make a keynote statement at the meeting.

In accordance with the decision just taken, Mr. Lonnie Bunch made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cabo Verde (on behalf of the African States), Malaysia (on behalf of the Asia-Pacific States), the Republic of Moldova (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Guatemala (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Germany (on behalf of the Western European and other States), the United States (as host country), Equatorial Guinea and Cuba.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 119.

## Economic and Social Council

2017 session

**Commission on the Status of Women**

Sixty-first session

[archived video]

13th meeting — *Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"* [item 3]

*(a) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern an d further actions and initiatives*

*(i) Priority theme: Women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work*

The Commission continued its consideration of the sub-item.

*Action on draft resolution E/CN.6/2017/L.4*

The Commission was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Israel made a statement and announced that Australia, Canada, Colombia, Greece, Jamaica, Palau, Peru, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea and Suriname had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, New Zealand also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the observer for the United States.

The Commission adopted the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Spain (on behalf of the European Union), the Islamic Republic of Iran and Israel, as well as by the observer for Oman (on behalf of the Arab Group).

*Action on draft agreed conclusions on women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work*

The Facilitator (Egypt) made a statement.

The Chair (Brazil) made a statement and suspended the meeting.

The meeting was resumed.

*Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"* [item 3]

*(c) Gender mainstreaming, situations and programmatic matters*

The Commission continued its consideration of the sub-item.

*Action on draft resolution E/CN.6/2017/L.3*

The Commission was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

Subsequently, Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Spain (on behalf of the European Union) and Israel, as well as by the observer for the United States.

The Commission adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 30 to 1, with 12 abstentions, and recommended it to the Economic and Social Council for its final adoption.

The observer of the Observer State of Palestine made a statement.

*Organization of work*

The Secretary of the Commission made a statement.

The Chair (Brazil) made a statement.

14th meeting

*Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"* [item 3]

*(a) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives*

*(i) Priority theme: women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work*

*(ii) Review theme: challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls*

*(b) Emerging issues, trends and new approaches to issues affecting the situation of women or equality between women and men: empowerment of indigenous women;*

*(c) Gender mainstreaming, situations and programmatic matters*

The Commission continued its consideration of the agenda item.

*Action on draft agreed conclusions on women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work*

The facilitator (Egypt) made a statement.

The Commission was informed that the draft agreed conclusions contained no programme budget implications.

The Commission adopted the draft agreed conclusions, as contained in an informal paper circulated in the conference room, in English only, to be issued as document E/CN.6/2017/L.5.

After the adoption, statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Pakistan.

Statements were also made by the observers for Saint Lucia (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Yemen (on behalf of Libya, Nigeria and the Sudan), Mauritania, Spain (on behalf of the European Union), Argentina (also on behalf of Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay), Australia (also on behalf of Canada, Iceland, Liechtenstein, New Zealand and Norway), the United States, France (also on behalf Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Poland.

The observer of the Holy See also made a statement.

*Oral decision*

Upon the proposal of the Chair, the Commission took note of a number of documents submitted under the agenda item.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3 as a whole.

*Communications concerning the status of women* [item 4]

The Commission resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

The Chair recalled that at its closed meeting, on 22 March 2017, the Commission had taken note of the report of the Working Group on Communications concerning the Status of Women and decided to include it, in its entirety, in the report of the Commission.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4.

*Provisional agenda for the sixty-second session of the Commission* [item 6]

The Commission began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Commission approved the provisional agenda for its sixty-second session, as contained in document E/CN.6/2017/L.2.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of the agenda item.

*Adoption of the report of the Commission on its sixty-first session* [item 7]

The Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur (Bosnia and Herzegovina) introduced the draft report of the Commission on its sixty-first session, as contained in document E/CN.6/2017/L.1.

The Commission adopted the draft report on its sixty-first session and agreed to entrust the Secretariat with its finalization in consultation with the Rapporteur.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of the agenda item.

*Closure of the sixty-first session*

The Under-Secretary-General for the Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and Executive Director of UN-Women made a statement.

The Chair made a statement and declared closed the sixty-first session of the Commission.

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**Commission on the Status of Women**
Sixty-second session

[archived video]

1st meeting

The sixty-second session was opened by His Excellency Antonio De Aguiar Patriota (Brazil), Chair *pro tempore*.

*Election of officers* [item 1]

*Election of the Chair*

The Commission elected His Excellency Antonio David Donoghue (Ireland) as Chair of the sixty-second and sixty-third sessions of the Commission, by acclamation.

*Election of other members of the Bureau*

The Commission elected Her Excellency Koki Muli Grignon (Kenya) as Vice-Chair of the Commission at its sixty-second session and Mr. Mauricio Carabali Baquero (Colombia) as Vice-Chair of the Commission at its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions, by acclamation.

The Commission postponed the election of the remaining two Vice-Chairs, on the understanding that upon nomination by their respective groups, candidates would be allowed to participate in the meetings of the Bureau held in preparation of the sixty-second session of the Commission.

The Chair of the sixty-second and sixty-third sessions of the Commission (Ireland) made a statement.

*Appointment of five members of the Working Group on Communications concerning the Status of Women*

The Commission appointed Belgium to serve as member of the Working Group on Communications at the sixty-second and sixty-third sessions, and Uruguay to serve as member of the Working Group on Communications at the sixty-second session of the Commission.

The Commission postponed the election of the remaining three members of the Working Group on Communications to a later date, on the understanding that upon the endorsement by the Group, the endorsed members of the Commission would be allowed to participate fully in the proceedings of the Working Group on Communications.

## Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

*The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.*

**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

*Amendment to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters. Almaty, 27 May 2005*

*Ratification:* Malta (24 March 2017)

*Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015*

*Ratification:* Andorra (24 March 2017)

## General information

**Chairs of regional groups**

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *March 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States*

Cabo Verde
His Excellency José Luis Fialho Rocha

*Asia-Pacific States*

Malaysia
His Excellency M. Shahrul Ikram Yaakob

*Eastern European States*

Republic of Moldova
His Excellency Vlad Lupan

*Latin American and Caribbean States*
Guatemala
His Excellency Jorge Skinner-Klée Arenales

*Western European and other States*
Germany
His Excellency Harald Braun

## General Assembly
Seventy-first session

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The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1, and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252 and A/71/252/Add.1.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 118, 120 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

There is no pre-determined calendar of meetings for the resumed part of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

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**Security Council**

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